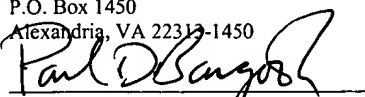


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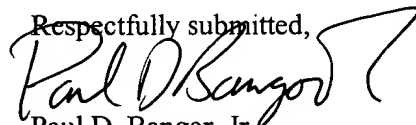
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Also enclosed is a return postcard. Please date stamp the postcard and return it to the address thereon in order to acknowledge receipt of the above-mentioned correspondence.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 20-0888. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal letter is enclosed.

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